

THE Morning-Star out of the North, OR THE RUINE and DESTRUCTION of the POPE and CHURCH of ROME; AND THE ADVANCEMENT of the PROTESTANT RELIGION Throughout EUROPE:

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Morning Star out of the North, &c.

When the *Consults* mentioned by *D. Oars*, at the *White Horse* in the *Strand*, and *Wild-House* at *St. James's*, had contrived the horrid Murder of his Sacred Majesty, they were much encouraged therein by some Prophecies, which they pretended to their Confederates, had been given out some time before, to that purpose; and among the rest, an eminent Astrologer, to heighten their Malice, told them, that this Blow is to be struck now or never. But,

*Trust not thy Life (Dear Prince) to their
false Word,
Who expose thy Throat to the fierce Jesuit's
Sword.*

It has been discoursed, that it was intended His Majesty should have been Assassinated in the Dreadful Fire in the Year 1666. But the Almighty God, the constant Preserver of Princes, was pleased to prevent it; but in the Year 1668. all Places in the Popish Countreys abroad, were full of the News, as it appeared by several Letters sent from thence. But,

*Let Judah's Lion, and Flow'r from Jesse's
Stem,*

Keep Charles his Lion, Flower, Diadem.

'Twas by a Charles, France once the Eagle got;

'Twas by a Charles, the Spaniards got that Lot;

Why may not Britain challenge the next Call;

And by a Charles be made Imperial?

See all joyce in the Presage

Of the Approaching happy Age.

Merlin's True Prophecy to King Lucius.

In the Days of *Lucius* the first Christian King of this Land, there was one *Merlin*, a *Scot*, who Prophesied of many things, and was a great Friend of King *Lucius*, and his daily Companion; this was the only true *Merlin*; and there is but one Prophecy of his extant, which is to be found in that ancient Prophecy of *Ninius of Bangor*; which was to this purpose:

That within less than Fifteen hundred years the *Eagles Head*, that is, the *Roman Empire* should be cloven in two; one part whereof *Agar*, the *Agarens* or *Turks*, shall burn with fire; and *Japhet*, the *Northern Nations*, or the *Isles of the Gentiles* the other; after the Grand Revolution of days, which we are yet in expectation of fulfilling.

*The Prophecy of Jerome Savanorala, a
Martyr.*

About the Year 1494, one *Jerome Savanorala*, a Martyr, was burnt at *Florence* in *Italy*, for appearing against the Corruptions of the *Roman Church*; He Prophesied of *Luther's* Reformation, of the Persecutions of the *Valtoline*, *Piedmont*, *Merindol* and *Chabriens*, and of the Troubles of the Duke of *Mirandula*, and Pope *Julius* the Second, all of which have since most remarkably come to pass; and the wise and honest Historian *Philip Corinnes* gives him the Character of an Holy man; and a Prophet; and among the rest, he foretold that since the *French King* had neglected the Reformation of *Italy*, and the Court of *Rome*, he should lose all he had Conquered; but yet should return home in safety.

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which accordingly happened. He added, That in the last times the *Jews*, *Turks* and *Moors* should be converted to the Christian Faith, and that a man like unto King *Cyrus*, should come over the *Alpes*, and destroy *Rome*, and rinate all the Kingdoms and States of *Italy*; that terrible Wars, Bloodshed & Massacres should arise in the world; and that a *Northern King* should introduce an happy Reformation, and destroy all who opposed the same; and that he should carry the Gospel to a vast and unknown world in the end of Time, which we may suppose hath been fulfilled in part by His Majesty's sending Protestant-Ministers to the *East* and *West Indies*.

The Prophecy of Michael Sandevogius, that profound Philosopher, and excellent Chymist, in his Treatise of Sulphur; wherein he hath these Words:

Now that Fourth Monarchy of the world is about to begin, wherein *Greater* things shall be discovered than in these Three last Monarchies; because God will plant this Monarchy, as the Ancients have foretold, by a Prince enriched with all manner of Virtues; whom happily Time hath already brought forth; in whose time Truth shall rise out of the Earth, and Justice shall look down from Heaven; there shall be one Sheep-fold, and one Shepherd; and there shall be many Arts without Envy, which I do earnestly desire and expect. Do thou also Reader, call upon, love and fear God; read over my Writings diligently, and thou maist foretel good things to thy self; and if thou shalt, through the Favour of God, and Help of Nature, live till the time of this Monarchy; then thou shalt see and say that all things I have said to thee are good and true.

The Prophecy of the Author of the future History of Europe, Printed 1650.

The Author's Design seems to be to per-

swade the Parliament then ruling, to return to the Obedience of the King and the Church; and declares the Effects of the Blazing Star in the Year 1618; saying, that as that Comet appeared Thirty seven or Thirty eight dayes, so it predicted, that for 37 or 38 years, *Germany*, *Livonia*, *Sweden*, and other Northern Parts of *Europe*, as likewise *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, should feel the terrible effects thereof in Wars and other Judgments; and then he proceeds in these Words, "This Comet was strengthened by a fearful Conjunction of *Saturn* and *Jupiter* two years before; the effects of both which were not confined to *Germany*, but were to end in the Judgments of God upon *Europe*, for neglecting the Overthrow of *Antichrist*, the Ruine of *Rome*, and the total Rooting out of the Sodomitical Order of *Jesuites* out of all Kingdoms & Free Estates, to make way for the *Lion of the North*, to erect his Monarchy in the Ashes of *Germany*, wherein shall be established the eternal Felicity of the Church, by the Conversion of the *Jews*, and Fulness of the *Gentiles*."

The Prophecy of *Baudensis* concerning the Destruction of *Rome*, and the Ruine of Popery, out of *Budius's* Letter to Mr. Shirley Fellow of *Trinity Colledge*, May 3. 1624.

Behold thou a Prophecy (if not Apostolical, far beyond Astrological, if I mistake not;). God hath arisen, and drawn out his Sword, there shall happen in these *European* Regions, the Slaughter of People, Funerals of Kings, Subversions of Commonwealths, Mutations of Monarchies, Massacres of Princes and Illustrions Commanders, Violent Proud Counsels, Treasons, Rebellions, &c. And in the Northern part of *Europe*, War, Sicknes, Pestilence; Princes cast out of their Dominions, Fathers Banished, Children after a long time restored. This Comet also in 1618, and Conjunction in 1616, threaten the terrible

ine of *Rome*, and Burnings in all the Cities of *Europe*; the *Papistical* Clergy, and especially the Cardinals shall be cast down from their Dignities, the *Jesuites* shall every where be drawn out to Death; neither shall the *French* nor *Spaniards* have courage to save their necks from the Halter; furthermore, we discern a Kingdom to arise in the *Holy Land*, of its most Ancient Inhabitants, which to Christians shall be a Miracle, and to the World a Terror; and these shall succeed in the Revolution of Time, to a new Empire, under which shall be enjoyed universal Gladness, Joy and Delight to Mankind, and the Wicked shall be every where removed; All which things shall be effected by a certain *Northern King*, who shall miraculously establish Peace, Religion, and Security throughout the whole World.

Grebner his Prophecy.

This *Grebner* too truly predicted the late *Confusions* which have happened in *England*, and have been already published by others, after which he proceeds thus, About that time a certain *Northern King* shall Marry *Mary*, &c. after whom the Effect none, but in the mean time one of *Charles* his Line shall stand up, and with the assistance of the *French*, *Swedish*, *Danish*, *Holland*, *Burgundian*, and *German* Forces shall fight a most cruel Battel, Vanquish all his Enemies and afterward most happily Govern his Kingdom, and shall be greater than *Charles* the Great; The Corruption of *Europe*, and the weakness of her several Kingdoms, shall strangely make way for the Fifth (or Fourth) Monarchy, which about the time of the fall of the *Roman Empire*, shall to the Terrour of the whole World appear and shine out Gloriously from the Ruins of *Germany*; This shall within three years subdue by force the rest of the Kingdoms of *Europe*, or for fear of its power they shall be forced to make Leagues with it, and thereby all *Protestants* shall be brought into an Universal Confede-

racy and Union It appears by this latter Passage that the Great and Bloody Victory which shall be attained by the *Lyon of the North*, by the Assistance of the *French*, *Swedish*, *Danish*, *Holland*, *Burgundian* and *German* Forces is to be understood be obtained by the *Protestants* in those Countries, and if he find any to Oppose and Fight with him in his own Kingdoms, they can be none but *Papists*.

The *Sybil's* Prophecy that *Rome* shall again become a Forlorn and Desert Village or Sheep-coat, as it is Translated by the Lord *Napier* in his Exposition of the *Revelations*.

Then ends the World, then comes the latter Light,
Then God shall come to Judge his Folk aright.

But first shall fall on *Rome* by Resistance,
Of Gods fierce Wrath the Direful Vengeance.

A Woful Life, a Bloody time shall be,
Oh People rude, Oh Land of Cruelty,
Thou little look'st, nor dost regard aright,
How Poor and Mean thou first cam'st in the Light,

That to the like again thou shalt return,
And then before a Dreadful Judge shalt Mourn.

Dr. *Bainbridge* Astronomy-Professor at *Oxford*, in his Description of the Comet seen in *London* in 1618. Writes thus.

That Blessed Star which Conducted the *Magi* or *Wise Men*, to our Saviours Mean but Holy Nursery, of whose Incarnation and Happiness to Mankind that Star was an Heavenly Harbinger, doth often enforce me to think, that those many new Stars and Comets, which have been oftener seen in this last Century of the World than in many Ages before, doth among other things signify that Glorious Light of the Gospel which hath lately Illuminated the whole World. Did not our Forefathers find the Comets

Comet in 1588 to be a sign of much Happiness to the Persecuted Protestants in England and Germany; Yea did not the New Star in Cassiopeia 1572, and that Remarkable Comet in 1567, demonstrate plainly from Heaven, That howsoever the Protestant Churches of France by the Massacres there, and those in the Low Countries by Fire, Sword; and Halter, must be grievously Persecuted, and Afflicted for a time, yet that in defiance of Satan, and all his Hellish Instruments, they shall at length Flourish and Triumph over all their Cruel Adversaries; These new Stars may likewise give us hope that that Gracious Promise of the Calling of the Jews shall be shortly accomplished; which (saith the Doctor) shall certainly precede the second coming of our Blessed Saviour, who saith himself, *That there shall be Signs in the Sun Moon and Stars.*

The Fates by minding Riddles Wise Men Teach.

In vain though near so plain to Fools they Preach.

The Prophecy of James Usher Arch-Bishop of Armagh of the Ruine of Popery.

This Reverend and Learned Bishop was wonderfully endued with a Spirit of Prophecy, whereby he foresaw the Rebellion of Ireland forty years before it came to pass, and plainly declared it in a Sermon at Dublin. He likewise predicted all the Changes and Confusions which lately happened in Church and State, and gave Mournful Intimations of the death of our late Sovereign Charles the First; And foretold that the greatest stroke upon the Reformed Churches was yet to come. And in discourse with a Person who told him she hoped that the said Persecution which he had often with great confidence said would yet fall upon the Protestant Churches in Europe, was not past and gone, by reason of the Ruins and Devastations of the late Wars, This Reverend Person fixing his Eyes upon her with a serious and Ireful look spake thus to her. *Fool not your self with such hopes, for I tell you, all you have yet seen, hath been but the*

*beginning of Sorrows to what is yet to come upon the Protestant Churches of Christ, who will ere long fall under a sharper Persecution than ever yet has been upon them; She then asked him by what means or Instruments this great Tryal shall be brought on, He answered by the Papists; she replied that it seemed to be very Improbable they should be able to do it; since they were then but little Countenanced, and but few in these Nations, and that the People were more set against them then ever since the Reformation, He answered again, that it would be by the hands of the Papists, and in the way of a sudden Massacre, and that the then Pope should be the chief Instrument of it. He then added that the Papists were in his Opinion, the Gentiles spoken of in the 11th. of the Revelations, to whom the outward Court should be left, that they might tread it underfoot, they having received the Gentiles Worship in their Adoring Images and Saints departed, and in taking to themselves many Mediators, and this (said he) the Papists are now designing among themselves; and therefore be sure you be ready. But (said he) as soon as this storm shall be over there will be a very great Glory immediately follow, and come upon the Protestant Churches, for as it shall be the sharpest, so it shall be the shortest Persecution that hath yet happened, and shall only take away the Gross Hypocrites and Formal Professors, but the true Spiritual Believers shall be preserved till the Calamity be over past, and that the time of the utter Ruine and Destruction of the See of Rome should happen when she thinks her self most secure; This he spake about the year 1654, and being asked how long he thought it would be before this would happen, He said it would not be long, though if they brought back His Majesty it might be delayed a little longer, but said he. *It will surely come, therefore be sure to look that you be not found unprepared for it.**

The Prophecy of Mr. George Withers Published in the Year, 1660.

There will in time to come a new Star blaze, Withi

Within the *West* that shall the *World* amaze,
 And Influences through the Universe,
 So quickly and prodigiously disperse;
 That aided by Concurrent Constellations,
 It shall have some Effect upon all Nations;
 And cause such changes as shall make a stand
 In their Attempts, which they have now in
 hand.
 Then from the Buried Ox will forth arise,
 A Swarm of thrifty Honey-making Flies;
 That shall with Sweetness and with Plenty
 Store
 These Islands from the Middle to the Shore;
 And spread their Floating Hives on all the
 Seas,
 T'wixt both the *Tropicks* and the *Antipodes*,
 To make Preparatives for that which brings,
 Into one Body all dispersed things,
 For all those Kingdoms and those Empires,
 Throughout the World which their begin-
 ning took;
 By humane Craft, Fraud, Force or Tyrannies,
 Shall pass away and Vanish into Smoak.
 An Army whereof here's yet little hope,
 Shall Wrest their Scepters both from *Turk*
 and *Pope*.
 And in another Paper speaking of the
 Confusions in *England*, and the several Go-
 vernments that happened, *George Withers*
 thus predicted His Majesties Happy Return
 above ten Years before it came to pass. Shall
 When they with Jars and Janglings have de-
 faced,
 Your Triple Building and themselves nigh
 worn;
 Into contempt, they of one Cup shall Taste,
 And into their first Elements return;
 And out of their corruption rise there shall,
 A True *Supream* acknowledged by all,
 In which the power of all the Fire shall be,
 With Unity made visible in Three;
 Priest, People, Parliament, Prelates and
 Peers.
 Shall be a while your Emulous Grandees,
 Make a confused Pentarchy some Years,
 And leave off their distinct Claims by de-
 grees,
 And then shall Righteousness ascend the
 Throne.

Then Faith and Reason shall agree in one,
 Then Love and Peace, and Truth re-enter
 shall,
 And all the Virtues to their Council call,
 Then timely out of all these shall arise
 That Kingdom and that happy Govern-
 ment,
 Which is the scope of all these Prophecies.
 That future Truths obscurely represent;
 But how this will be done, few Men shall see,
 For wrought in Clouds and Darkness it shall
 be.
 The Cities wealth her poverty shall cause;
 The Laws corruption shall reform the Laws,
 And Bulls of the largest Northern breed,
 Shall fatted be, where now Sheep scarce can
 feed.
 When in this Isle observe you shall,
 The Tenth part of *Great Babels* fall,
 And Reformation fully made,
 Of them and their mysterious Trade,
 Who Merchandise most Holy things.
 Then God to speedy vengeance brings,
 Both *Gog*, and *Magog*, and the V Whore,
 The Beast which Nations yet Adore.
 Seven Numerals the *Roman* Empire had,
 VWhereby of Old the computations made,
 And in them was their Destiny foreshwon,
 Though to themselves perhaps it was un-
 known,
 That year in which *Rome* long liv'd Empery,
 Shall from the Day in which it was in height
 Sum up MDCLXV & I.
 In order as those Letters here I write, (date
 That Year, that Day, that Hour, will put a
 To her usurped power, reserving neither
 Top, Root, or Branch of that accursed State,
 No Limb, nor Body, Hand, Horn, Claw, or
 Feather,
 For here are all the Numerals of *Rome*,
 In order as they are in valuation,
 Without Disorder, VVant, or Iteration;
 Nor shall it longer stand, nor sooner fall,
 If I mistake not him who Governs all.
 If you ask when,
 This number did begin, I say, even then,
 When *Rome* declin'd first from her height of
 pride,

Which

Which was when Jesus Christ was Crucified,
 God to a certain Day his Reign did fix,
 Which endeth at Six Hundred Sixty Six.
 And he who knows on what Day it begun
 May know the day on which it will be done,
 Which I believe will visibly appear
 In, or about the Seventeen Hundred Year:
 And whilst we talk of Righteousness & Peace,
 They who concealed their maliciousness,
 With fair deportment, do anew begin,
 So to declare what they have always been,
 As makes in many Inlets to some fear,
 That till it endeth in a Massacre:

No Vengeance will their Projects terminate,
 Or set a lasting period to their hate.
 A bloodless Massacre here is already
 Begun amongst us, and it will be bloody,
 At the returning of those Jesuit Strangers
 (Who first began our Plagues) renew our
 Dangers;

And then they who suppose their persons free,
 Will with the rest in equal Perils be:
 For boundless Lustings, Mischief will beget,
 Which lye within the Womb unheeded yet,
 Where Sin and Death are Twins conceived
 together,
 Though born a little time before each other.

A worthy person well known in London
 for his Integrity and Zeal for the Protestant
 interest, hath lately given an Account of a
 Relation made to him by a learned & pious
 Friend of his now deceased to this purpose.

That about the time of the death of Oliver Cromwell, a Servant of his who was nearly related to him, saw in a Night-Vision, a Room not much unlike the Banqueting-house at White-hall, and the Crown Imperial of England, standing at the upper end of a fair Table, covered with a rich Carpet, in the midst thereof, and a while after a person like Richard Cromwell approached thereto, but instead of taking the Crown into his hand, and putting it on his Head as the Relator expected, he with his head thrust it down from the Table, upon which his Father Oliver, seemed suddenly to appear from behind a Curtain at the upper end of the Room, seated upon a Throne who stamped at his Son in great indignation and

reproved him for his folly, for so easily losing Three Crowns, which he (as he said) had so fairly provided for him, after which both Father and Son immediately vanished away. In a short time a person representing his Sacred Majesty Charles the Second, seemed to enter the Room, and taking up the Crown, placed it upon his Head, and then sat down upon the Throne, and presently an Audible voice was heard from above, uttering these words, *Do Justice and show Mercy, and thou shalt Reign till Shiloh come.*

A Relation of a Prediction of the burning of London, in the Year 1666.

A Manuscript or Written Book, was brought to a Bookseller sometime before the dreadful Fire of London, in the Year 1666. By an unknown Person, who desired to have it Printed and Published, which gave an Account of the burning of London, and divers other Circumstances which afterward exactly happened. The Bookseller refused to Print it, because it was not Licensed, whereupon the Author took away the Book with him. Now in the time of the Fire, the Bookseller being very busy, saw this Person passing by, and told him, that since he had so plainly foretold it, there was just cause to suspect that he was concerned therein; *Yes*, (replied the Gentleman) *if I had been accessory to so wicked a design, I would not have offered my Book to publication, which I wrote on purpose, if possible, to have discovered and prevented the Execution thereof.* And then added, *There will follow more dreadful Judgments, both by Sword and Famine, if it shall please God to deal with us as we deserve.*

Another Prophecy of the Author of the *Future History of Europe*, concerning the destruction of Popery.

This Author in answer to some objections made against his History writes thus, Though the World must degenerate more and more, in Civility and Humanity, (as it manifestly doth ever since he wrote) and Christianity be in a greater manner Eclipse'd, & the True Worship of God decrease more than ever,

though Protestantism shall in many Countries be totally swallowed up of Popery and Mahometanism, though more lamentable Wars, and fearful Massacres rage through England, Germany, France, Spain, Italy, and all European Monarchies than we have yet beheld, and though some of these Kingdoms revolt to Popery, and others be Luke-warm and at a stand, yet all these shall but make way for the final destruction of the Enemies of the Church, and the Glorious and Wonderful Birth and Erection of that excellent Monarchy, which shall be brought forth by these pangs and sorrows of Christendom; Now Judgment must not begin at the Temple of Antichrist, but the House of God; and what blood soever is shed upon the soil of the Christian Church, shall be no other than fruitful Showres, and warm Seasons, to make the Field of the Church more pregnant in the production of that glorious Harvest of Saints, which shall cover the World.

*The Prophecy of Johannes Ursinus, above
Fourscore Years since.*

John Ursinus, In a Book called the *Roman Conclave*, tells us, That in certain Verses of an Ancient Prophet, there was a Prediction, that a person should rise out of the North, who should occasion very great and terrible Alterations in Italy, but especially upon the Roman See; and *Ursinus* was of Opinion, That by the Description and Lineaments of the Face, Body, and also of his disposition that *Charles the First*, Emperor of Germany, should be the Person that should cause such great Alterations, but if you consider the words of the Prophet underwritten, we may very well Judge they are meant of some other Great Prince yet to come. For *Charles the Emperor* was rather a Southern, than a Northern Man, neither did he make such Grievous Alterations as the Prophecy mentions, and therefore it seems to intimate, that some Northern Prince will arise, and make more dreadful Alterations in Rome and Italy, than yet have been.

*The words of the Prophecy are to this purpose
in English.*

By Northern Powers, the Roman Empire fell,
To us all mischiefs come from Rome and Hell,

The Roman Church their Fall from hence
presage.

Let our Church then provide against their
Rage,

Our Northern Men and Iron, Rome's excel.
Oh Engl. then let not their craft thee quell,

Their Swords with Swords, their Friars with
Fires I pray,

Thou mayst (and all their darts with arts
repay.

To conclude in the words of an excellent Man; Whether these, or such like Prophecies be of God or no, let the Wise and Prudent judge; but certainly it is commonly seen, that when God will shew his displeasure and indignation, and intends to bring to pass some Great Act, then the Creatures do many times Prophecy and give Warning, although to little purpose, The Prophets foretold the Destruction of Jerusalem; Jesus Christ threatned, the Apostles warned, but all availed not; they heard Voices in the Temple, they saw Signs in the Heavens, and Battels in the Clouds, but all availed not, they were destroyed, because they despised Gods word; Even so it shall happen to the Papists, for Daniel, Zachary, Christ Jesus, St. Paul, Timothy, Peter, their own Bishops, Abbots, Monks, Nuns, Astronomers long since Prophesied it to them, common Roman Proverbs, Visions, Signs, all prevailed nothing; therefore must they be destroyed, there is no Remedy, that which they will not now see, they must see to their Grief at last, when all help is past. Wherefore let no good Christian grieve himself at them, but rather suffer with patience, and pray to God to revenge the Blood of his Saints and Servants upon these cruel Tyrants and Enemies of his Gospel. God alone is able, and will likewise do it in his good time. To him be all Honour, Praise, and Glory for ever. Amen.

FINIS.